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The reply filed on May 3, 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the Examiner respectfully submits that while Applicant's amendment and remarks address the previous rejection of claims 1-18 under 35 USC 103(a) (set forth in paragraph 1 of the office action mailed Dec. 22, 2003), it does not appear to address the additional rejection of claims 19-36 under 35 USC 103(a) (set forth in paragraph 2 of the office action mailed Dec. 22, 2003). Therefore, the record is incomplete. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Cybille Delacroix-Muirheid whose telephone number is 571-272-0572. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thurs. and every other Friday from 8:30 to 6:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Christopher Low, can be reached on 571-272-0951. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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